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OFFICE OF THE DEPUTY ATTORNEY GENERAL

WASHINGTON, D. C.

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Honorable J. Lee Rankin
Veterans of Foreign Wars Building
2nd Street and Maryland Avenue, N. E.
Washington, D. C.

Dear Mr. Rankin:

I am enclosing a copy of the report prepared by the Department of State which goes into their dealings with Oswald in somewhat more detail than the FBI report. Mr. Abram Chayes is the State Department contact and he can provide the underlying documents for the Commission when and if you wish them. This report has been checked here in the Department of Justice against the underlying papers and, I am told by my staff that, it is a full and complete account.

I am also attaching for your information a memorandum on the conflict of interest laws which I think you may find of interest and assistance.

I have arranged for a court reporter to transcribe today's proceedings, and I believe he will be available to you in the future if you wish him. Should you wish to enter into a contract in this connection, I am told that the Alderson firm is the most reliable.

Please let me know if I can be of any further assistance to you.

Sincerely,

Nicholas deB. Katzenbach
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Deputy Attorney General